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REMARKS

These remarks are in response to the Office Action dated February 8, 2005, which has a shortened statutory period for response set to expire March 10, 2005, which is the 30-day statutory minimum. No extension of time is required.

Claims

Claims 1-135 are pending in the above-identified application. Claims 1-135 are subject to a restriction requirement. Claims 36-47 and 125 are amended, and Claims 1-35, 48-124, and 126-135 remain as filed.

Restriction Requirement

Claims 1-135 are subject to a restriction requirement.

Applicant hereby elects Invention I (Claims 1-35, 48-82, and 95-124, method and system for storing data) for prosecution on the merits. Applicant's election is made without prejudice and without traverse.

Claim 36-47 are amended to depend, either directly or indirectly, from Claim 1 and Claim 125 is amended to depend from Claim 95. As amended herein, all claims are directed to the elected invention.

If the Examiner has any questions or suggestions for expediting the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' attorney at (269) 279-8820.

Respectfully submitted,

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